

## **CALL TO ORDER- PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE - ROLL CALL**

Mayor Schroder welcomed the residents to the meeting at 7:05 p.m. He indicated that Councilmember Menesini was on his way, and since there was no quorum, they would begin the Neighborhood Issues and Concerns portion of the meeting. He introduced City Manager Don Blubaugh.

City Manager Blubaugh explained the process for the evening and introduced staff and explained the responsibilities of their department. Residents broke into groups to discuss issues and concerns.

Councilmember Menesini arrived at 7:30 p.m.

### **I. NEIGHBORHOOD ISSUES AND CONCERNS [41.05.01]**

*3611 Questionnaires Mailed; 48 Total Questionnaires Returned.*

Reconvened at 8:20 p.m.

Mayor Schroder called the Adjourned Regular Meeting to order at 8:20 p.m. at Hidden Valley Elementary, 500 Glacier Drive, Martinez, with Councilmember Menesini and Vice Mayor Kennedy present; Councilmembers DeLaney and Ross were excused.

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

**(COMPLETE SPEAKER CARD AND GIVE TO CLERK) Reserved only for those requesting to speak on items not listed on the Agenda.**

An unidentified speaker requested an update on the Alhambra Highlands project. Assistant City Manager Karen Majors gave a brief status report indicating that the developers would eventually have to start over. The environmental plans and documents are outdated and the plans have changed significantly since the initial plans that were submitted. Ms. Majors stated that when the project does come forward, there would be adequate noticing.

Vice Mayor Kennedy commented that the expense involved in submitting new documents and costly infrastructure, and the fact that the developer cannot build as many homes as anticipated does not make the project seem economically feasible.

There being no further speakers, Mayor Schroder closed public comment.

## **PRESENTATION(S)/PROCLAMATION(S)**

### **CONSENT CALENDAR**

#### **MOTION WAIVING READING OF TEXT OF ALL RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES.**

1. Motion approving City Council Minutes of October 3, 2007. [M.Cabral]
2. Motion rejecting claim(s) against the City by Marcus Pierre, Claim #07-25; James Morphy, Claim #07-26; and Sharon L. Clark, Claim #07-27. [M.Cabral]
3. Motion approving the Cash and Investment Report for September 2007. [C.Heater/02.01.01]
4. Motion approving Check Reconciliation Registers dated 09/27/07 and 10/04/07. [C.Heater/02.01.01]
5. Motion approving employment agreement for Tom Simonetti to serve as Chief of Police effective January 1, 2008. [D.Blubaugh/17.03.02]
6. Motion adopting Ordinance No. 1340 C.S. amending Sections 8.38.020, 8.38.030, 8.38.070, and 8.38.090 of Chapter 8.38, Regulation of Vacant Structures, of Title 8, Health and Safety of the Martinez Municipal Code which will increase the City's ability to control vacant structures within the City. [D.Scola/09.10.09]
7. Resolution No. 089-07 accepting bids for the Downtown Lighting Project and awarding the construction contract to the lowest responsible bidder. [T.Tucker/9.12.00&12.13.01]
8. Resolution No. 090-07 accepting bids for the Martinez Marina Ferry Pier Removal Project and awarding the construction contract to HSR Inc. in an amount of \$349,920.[T.Tucker/14.05.08]
9. Resolution No. 091-07 approving Subdivision 9103"Foxwood Community" Final Map, and authorize the City Manager to execute the subdivision improvement agreement. [T.Tucker/13.9103]

Mayor Schroder opened public discussion on items on the Consent Calendar.

Arlene Grimes referenced Item 8, indicating that she was speaking on behalf of her friend. She questioned the contractor HSR's qualifications and the timeframe for removing the ferry pier. Senior Engineer Joe Enke responded that HSR Inc. had all the proper documents and valid contractor's license and had successfully completed several similar projects for other cities and special districts in the Bay Area; and that the work is scheduled to begin in early November and will be completed before the end of the year.

Ms. Grimes also indicated that her friend owned a houseboat at the Marina and has not been given any information on moving her boat to another dock while the pier is being removed. Assistant City Manager Majors indicated that staff will be contacting her shortly.

There being no further speakers, Mayor Schroder closed public discussion.

On motion by Janet Kennedy, Vice Mayor, seconded by Michael Menesini, Councilmember, to approve Items 1-9 of the Consent Calendar. Motion unanimously passed 3 - 0.

### **PUBLIC HEARING(S)**

10. Public hearing to consider a resolution approving receipt and use of funds from the State of California's Supplemental Law Enforcement Services Grant Fund. [D.Cutaia/4.8.00]

Chief of Police Dave Cutaia presented the staff report. He indicated that the grant is from the State of California and by approving the resolution it will allow the Department to receive grant funding in the amount of \$100,000. These funds will be used to supplement funding of the School Resource Officer position and allow for improvements in mobile data computers.

Mayor Schroder opened the public hearing.

Alice Hauks of Alhambra High School spoke in support of the grant and complimented Chief Cutaia and staff for their support for the Police School Resource Officer.

Helen Rossi, Principal of Martinez Junior High, echoed the same remarks and expressed her gratitude for all the assistance given by the Police Department and the role they play at the Junior High School.

There being no further speakers, Mayor Schroder closed the public hearing.

On motion by Michael Menesini, Councilmember, seconded by Janet Kennedy, Vice Mayor, to adopt Resolution No. 092-07 approving receipt and use of funds from the State of California's Supplemental Law Enforcement Services Grant Fund. Motion unanimously passed 3 - 0.

### **ORDINANCE(S)**

### **CITY MANAGER**

11. Comment(s)/Update(s)/Report(s).

No comments made.

## **APPOINTMENTS TO COMMISSIONS AND/OR AGENCIES**

12. Appointing Mayor Schroder to the San Francisco Bay Water Transit Authority Citizens Advisory Board. [41.02.00]

Mayor Schroder stated that the City's last representative was Nello Bianco, and the WTA has requested that the position be filled.

On motion by Michael Menesini, Councilmember, seconded by Janet Kennedy, Vice Mayor, to appoint Mayor Schroder to the San Francisco Bay Water Transit Authority Citizens Advisory Board. Motion unanimously passed 3 - 0.

## **CITY COUNCIL**

13. City Council Comments.

Mayor Schroder thanked the community for attending.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Adjourned at 8:35 p.m. to a Joint City Council/ Park & Recreation Commission Meeting, October 24, 2007 at 5:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers, 525 Henrietta Street, Martinez, California.

Approved by the City Council,

Rob Schroder, Mayor

Mercy G. Cabral, Deputy City Clerk